

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Beane et al.
Serial No. : 10/613,502
Filed : July 3, 2003
Title : SURGICAL SUTURE PLACEMENT DEVICE
Art Unit : 3764
Examiner : Unknown

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the action dated October 2, 2003, be extended for five months to and including May 3, 2004, the due date of May 2, 2004 being on a Saturday.

Enclosed is a check for \$1005 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket No. 07917-160001.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 5/3/04

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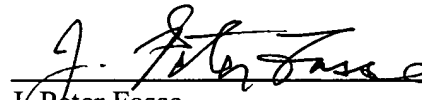
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